

3rd Asia-Pacific Regulatory Forum on Power System Connectivity

9:00 – 17:00 hrs. (GMT + 7) 26-27th February 2024

Hybrid Meeting, online and in-person UNCC, Bangkok

Draft Agenda and Programme

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Time (GMT+7)	Agenda item
9:00 - 9:05	Welcome remarks and housekeeping announcements
9:05 - 9:20	<p><i>Opening remarks:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Hongpeng Liu, Director of Energy Division, UN ESCAP <i>in person</i> • Mr. Leonardo Meeus, Director, Florence School of Regulation <i>online</i>
9:20 - 9:40	<p><i>Keynote remarks</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Xiaowei Wei, Director General, Department of International Cooperation, National Energy Administration, China <i>online</i>
9:40 – 11:00	<p><i>Session 1: Regulatory collaboration on power sector issues across the region</i></p> <p>Moderator: Yejin Ha, Economic Affairs Officer, ESCAP</p> <p><i>Scene setting presentations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Matthew Wittenstein, Chief of Section, Energy Connectivity, UN ESCAP <i>in person</i> • Ms. Bevan Flansburg, Deputy Director, International Programs, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) <i>online</i> • Mr. Alberto Pototschnig, Executive Deputy Director, World of Practice, Florence School of Regulation <i>in person</i>

	<p><i>Interventions by audience and discussion:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Margalita Arabidze, Head of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Policy and Sustainable Development Department, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia <i>in person</i> • Mr. Tovuudorj Purevjav, Commissioner, Energy Regulatory Commission of Mongolia <i>in person</i> • Mr. Abul Khayer Md Aminur Rahman, Member (Power), Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Commission (BERC) <i>in person</i> • Mr. Ti ZHOU, Division Official, Department of Market Regulation, NEA <i>in person</i> • Mr. Joel Abraham, Chief Executive Officer, Fijian Competition & Consumer Commission (FCCC) <i>online</i> <p>Discussion</p>
11:00-11:15	Coffee break
11:15-12:30	<p><i>Session 1: Regulatory collaboration on power sector issues across the region (cont.)</i></p> <p>Presentation of the Policy brief on regulatory capacity building</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Anna Lobanova, UN ESCAP <p><i>Interventions by audience and discussion:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Rashmi Nair, Deputy Chief Regulatory Affairs, SAFIR <i>online</i> <p>Discussion</p>
12:30-14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 15:30	<p><i>Session 2: International collaboration to increase renewable integration</i></p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Anna Lobanova, UN ESCAP</p> <p><i>Scene setting presentations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Priyantha Wijayatunga, Senior Director, Energy Sector Office, Asian Development Bank (ADB) <i>online</i> • Mr. Emanuele Bianco, IRENA <i>online</i> • Ms. Thu Vu, Southeast Asia Analyst, Transition Zero <i>in person</i>

	<p><i>Interventions by audience and discussion:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Mirza Sadaqat Huda, Lead Researcher, ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute <i>in person</i> • Mr. Andrew Flagg, Coordinator, Regulatory Energy Transition Accelerator (RETA) <i>online</i> • Mr. Kamran Huseynov, Deputy Director, Azerbaijan Renewable Energy Agency <i>in person</i> • Ms. Florence Ventura, Team Leader - Energy Security, Georesources and Energy Programme, Pacific Community <i>online</i> • Mr. Roble P. Velasco-Rosenheim, Director, Partnerships and APAC Markets, I-REC Standard Foundation <i>online</i> • Mr. Rinchen Dorji, Chief, Tariff Division, Department of Energy, Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources, Bhutan <i>in person</i> • Mr. Xun WANG, Programm Officer, NEA <i>in person</i> • Representative from Smart Power Program for Southeast Asia (TBC) <p>Discussion</p>
15:30-15:45	Coffee break
15:45 – 16:45	<i>Session 2: Regulatory collaboration to increase renewable integration (cont.)</i>
16:45 – 17:00	<p>Closing remarks</p> <p>Matthew Wittenstein, Chief of Section Energy Connectivity, UN ESCAP</p>

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9.00 – 12.00 – Site visit (*for in person participants*), Amita Technology Thailand (battery manufacturing factory) and Absolute Assembly Factory (EV vehicle manufacturing factory)